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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application is a PTO/SB/08 Equivalent listing 137 references to be considered by the Examiner.

Except for References 123–131, all of the foreign and non-patent literature cited in the information disclosure statement filed herewith was cited in U.S. Patent Application 09/620,701 (filed 20 July 2000; now U.S. Patent 6,527,759), which is relied upon for an earlier effective filing date under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Therefore, copies of these references are not required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). Copies of References 123–131 are enclosed herewith. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all of the references cited in the information disclosure statement filed herewith.

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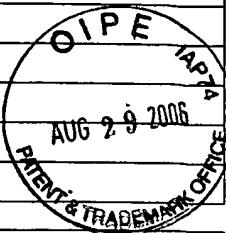
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